

consideration of this bill.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. Senator Stuhr announces that the following guests are visiting the Legislature, there are 60 senior citizens here from Seward, York and Polk Counties. They are here on Senior Citizens Day from District 24, they are all in the north balcony. Will you stand and be recognized, please. Senator Robak also wishes...is passing out doughnuts this morning in celebration of her birthday yesterday and the birth of her tenth grandchild, McKenzie Rae, last night at ten minutes till midnight, so she has a grandchild born on her birthday. Congratulations, Senator. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Senator Bohlke would move to amendment with AM0260, Senator. (Bohlke amendment appears on page 776 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Chair recognizes Senator Bohlke.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Members, Madam President and members, this is a technical amendment that makes this carry on into the future year after year. And I ask for your approval. That's simply all that it does, to ensure that this will continue on each fiscal year thereafter. So I ask for your support.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator. Senator Bernard-Stevens, to speak to the Bohlke amendment.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Yes, thank you, Madam President, members of the body. I rise in support of the Bohlke amendment and the advancement of the bill. And there's...this is a confession time. We had a hearing in the Education Committee of which one of the people that testified, one of those that...former Senator Baack should have known better, and if he actually can control his community colleges better that, you know, maybe this wouldn't have happened this way. So it's a learning experience for him I'm sure. But they had one too many people speak to the committee, and the last person that spoke said so many crazy things that it was...I was tempted simply to vote against the bill, because he actually undercut everything that had been said earlier on the bill. And so in kind of a protest, and this is my confession, in kind of a protest I voted no against the bill even though that it was, in essence, a good bill, just in protest of the one. Well, when I did that